

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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1. [ ] about 13,000 navy and marine personnel, excluding navy school cadets and trainees, were attached to the Tsingtao Base Command of the East China Navy. The base command was at the former base of the Chinese Nationalist Navy Training Corps at the entrance to Laiyang (5490/7122) Road, Tsingtao.<sup>1</sup> CHAO (6392) (fnu) was base commander and LAI K'o-k'o (6351/0668/0668) was political commissar of the command.<sup>2</sup> 25X1
2. [ ] the personnel of the base command were disposed as follows: 25X1
  - a. 1,000 men near the Chingshan (0079/1472) Road, Paoshan (0202/1472) Road, Yushan (7625/1472) Road, and Hsihsia (2776/7209) Road.
  - b. 3,000 men near the Tengchou (4098/1558) Road.
  - c. 500 men in the former United States billets near the Ch'angchou (1603/1558) Road.
  - d. 500 men near the Suiyuan (4840/6678) Road.
  - e. 300 men near the Chouts'un (0719/2625) Road.
  - f. 300 men near the Huangt'ai (7806/0669) Road.

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- g. 300 men near the Talien (1129/6647) Road.
- h. 500 men near the Ch'itung (7871/2639) Road.
- i. 300 men near the Ch'inghai (7230/3189) Road.
- j. 300 men near the T'aitung (0669/2639) Road.

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3. [ ] the Supply and Service Department of the East China Military Area began construction of an expanded Tsingtao Combined Naval School between Chanshan (3277/1472) and Fushan (3187/1472) roads. The new school was expected to accommodate 2,500 trainees. The authorities of the school intended to enroll a larger number of trainees for engine and torpedo instruction in 1953 than had been enrolled in the past. Owing to the inadequacy of the old navy school facilities at the entrance of Chanshan Road, formerly the site of a youth home, to handle the number of trainees at the school, the majority of students moved to residences at Patakuan (0360/1129/7070) Road.

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4. [ ] barracks were constructed in front of Shalingchuang (?/1545/5445), formerly the site of an army hospital, to house the marines based at Tsingtao.

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5. [ ] two warships, each displacing more than 1,000 tons, and a total of three or four gunboats and auxiliary vessels, were based permanently at Tsingtao. As many as 20 vessels were occasionally in Tsingtao harbor.

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6. [ ] the following ships were under the command of the East China Fleet:

- a. WEI HAI (1218/3189), a 1,500 ton vessel.<sup>3</sup>
- b. Six former Japanese vessels of 1,000 tons each, the CHIEH (2234) 9, the CHIEH 10, the CHIEH 12,<sup>3</sup> and three others whose designations are not known.

7. These ships were repaired at the Union Dock Yard at Patat'ou (0360/1129/7333) Yangshup'u (2799/2885/3184), Shanghai, a British-owned firm under the joint operation of the Haiang Sheng (4382/3932) and the Jui Jung (3843/5554) shipping firms. After the repairs were completed, the ships were armed at the Kiangnan Naval Dockyard. Each ship was armed with one Japanese-made 3-inch gun, two Soviet-made 4-inch army guns, four Japanese-made 25mm automatic guns, and two anti-aircraft guns. These ships were assigned to the East China Fleet which patrolled between Choushan Islands and Shanghai.

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1. Comment. [ ] three-fourths of the housing facilities in Tsingtao are used for barracks and other military purposes.
2. Comment. [ ] LAI K'o-k'o was political commissar of the East Shantung Military Area Command at Tsingtao, and mayor of Tsingtao [ ]

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. The WEI HAI (renamed CHI NAN), 740 tons displacement, and CHIEH 12 (renamed CH'ANG SHA), 900 tons displacement, were reported to be under the command of the East China Naval District [REDACTED]

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